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Sisters Dayne, 9, and Lily Gottier, 6, show their “Puppy/sisterly love” during Saturday’s Harvest Fest at Veterans Green. See more photos, page 12.

Fire lieutenant to take on new role

Calvi named permanent deputy chief

By Jennifer Wroblewski
Staff Writer

After filling the role of deputy fire chief at Agawam Fire Department since August 2011 when then-deputy chief Alan Sirois took over the reins as head of the department, Gary Brown will step down from the position within the coming weeks.

Brown, who is the most senior lieutenant in the department with over 30 years of service, filled the seat on a provisional basis until a permanent deputy chief could be chosen.

Last week, Sirois announced that Lt. Bernard J. “B.J.” Calvi was offered and accepted the role after he took the deputy chief exam for the civil service and was the top scorer.

Calvi, a member of the department since May 1995, has been a lieutenant since June 2003. He has been working on D group at Agawam Fire Headquarters for “as long as anyone can remember,” said Sirois.

“I’ve always wanted to be a firefighter/paramedic,” said Calvi, a native of North Adams who currently lives in Springfield with his wife, Carrie. He started in Agawam after taking the civil service exam because the town was hiring paramedics at the time.

“Like everybody else, I wanted to advance

my career, so I took the exam to become lieutenant,” he said. When the opportunity arose to advance into a more administrative position, Calvi took the test – and passed.

“I want to try to make a difference and make things better here in the city of Agawam, for the residents and the firefighters,” he said of his decision. “I’d like to continue to be a positive force for the department and keep us moving forward.”

Although he’s excited to move into the next phase of his career, Calvi said he will miss working so closely with the other members of the department.

As deputy chief, he will transition from working two 24-hour shifts per week to working business hours at the department’s headquarters.

“I’m gonna miss the camaraderie with the guys every shift; having meals together and working closely with everyone; the give and take of being on the floor,” he said. While he’ll still be

present at all fire calls, he won’t be assigned to a company. Instead, he’ll be responsible for administrative work and managing the department as opposed to “responding to every day calls.”

And that’s exactly what Brown said he is looking forward to in moving back to the

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“I want to try to make a difference and make things better here in the city of Agawam, for the residents and the firefighters.”

Lt. B.J. Calvi
Agawam Fire Department

Commencement changes

Committee approves switch for 2013 graduation

By Mike Lydick
Turley Publications
Correspondent

Graduation ceremonies for the Agawam High School Class of 2013 will not be held on a Sunday – as has been a long-standing tradition – but instead will take place on a Saturday.

The school committee voted unanimously at its Oct. 9 meeting to approve a recommendation from AHS Principal Steve Lemanski to change the usual Sunday graduation

to a Saturday. The change of day also requires commencement exercises to start two hours earlier than in past years.

Graduation is now scheduled for Springfield Symphony Hall on the morning of Saturday, June 8, starting at 11 a.m.

Lemanski recommended the changes because a scheduling conflict at Symphony Hall prevents Agawam from using it on Sunday, June 9.

Lemanski needed the committee’s approval for the new date and time so he could approve a contract with Symphony Hall for the 2013 graduation. He wanted the

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A look back at the ‘Octo-snow’ storm

By Gregory A. Scibelli
Turley Publications
Correspondent

AGAWAM – Long before the advent of the Internet and before backup generators became a mainstay for many households, when the power went out, people bundled up, sat by candles, and waited out the outage.

Agawam residents were treated to that simpler way of life last year when the October snowstorm struck the area, cutting power to local homes and businesses for nearly a week in most places, crippling communications on which residents had come to rely.

“It’s hard to believe it’s been one year since that horrific snowstorm,” Mayor Richard A. Cohen said last week. “I’m glad to say

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Autumn Street had so many downed trees from the storm that the road was not visible.

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Changing the way teachers grade

School Comm. approves new report card format

By Gregory A. Scibelli
Turley Publications Correspondent

AGAWAM – The Agawam School Committee approved a change to the format for report cards used at Agawam High School after a request from Superintendent William Sapelli and High School Principal Steve Lemanski.

The decision took place at the Tuesday, Oct. 23 meeting.

The format will add a numbered grade for each course taken by a student for his or her work addressing an “academic expectation of the term.”

There are five academic expectations that were identified by high school staff through professional development last year. The expectations are incorporated into each class taken by a student.

However, assessment for those five standards would be too cumbersome for teachers, Lemanski said.

“We have been asking our teachers to take on a lot,” he said. “There are teacher evaluations and updates to the Common Core standards that they are currently dealing with.”

A pilot program was developed, and a rotation will be done with the five expectations, with each being a focus of a particular term. With only four terms in a school year, the fifth expectation will be assessed on report cards at the beginning of the next school year before the rotation starts over again.

The five expectations for academic learning are: Listen and read for understanding, speak and write to communicate effectively, research information using appropriate methods, use critical thinking skills to solve problems, and use technology competently.

During the first semester, teachers have been incorporating the first standard — to listen and read for understanding — into

class activities, projects, and assignments. Lemanski said all teachers are on board with the experiment.

“Ideally, we would like to be giving assessments for all five of the expectations,” said Lemanski. “But we are going to start with this pilot program first.”

On the report cards, the numbered grades will be in the last column, and assessments of meeting the standard will be given a 1, 2, 3, 4, or an asterisk. A “4” is the best grade a student can receive and means he or she has exemplary or advanced skills in that expectation. A “3” is proficient, a “2” is satisfactory, a “1” is considered beginning, and an asterisk means unacceptable.

Lemanski said the recent work is part of the district’s response to recommendations made by the 2008 New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) report. NEASC is the organization responsible for giving the high school accreditation.

School Committee member Linda Galarneau asked Lemanski if students and parents are aware of the academic expectations developed. She also asked where definitions for each number are located on the report card.

Lemanski said there is not room on the card, but they will provide that information to parents.

“We are going to be working them into the student guide and the program of studies, which is being reworked for next year,” said Lemanski.

Sapelli sought a vote from the school committee to show support for the change in the report card format. No other changes were recommended. Letter and effort grades will remain the same on the report cards, which are issued four times per year.

The school committee vote to approve the change was unanimous.

WHERE IS IT?

Each week *Agawam Advertiser News* will feature a photo of a local building, item, sign, place or landmark and ask readers to pick their brains to figure out where it is or even what it is. Check here each week to test your knowledge of the area where we live and work. The photo will be from either Agawam or Feeding Hills, but we’ll always give you a hint or two.

The answer to this week’s “Where is it?” will run in next week’s edition along with the name of the first person to submit a correct answer and a new trivia photo for you to consider.

E-mail answers or future Where Is It? suggestions to editor Jennifer Wroblewski at jwroblewski@turley.com.



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Boldyga, Di Santi spar in debate

Candidates clash on issues

By Christopher Faille
Turley Publications Correspondent

AGAWAM — The two candidates facing off next month for the state house seat that represents Agawam, Granville, Russell and Southwick, went head to head last week in a candidate’s forum hosted by the West of the River Chamber of Commerce. The event, held Oct. 18 at Roberta Doering School, resulted in an evening of lively exchanges about a range of topics that impact the Third Hampden District.

Incumbent state Rep. Nicholas A. Boldyga (R-Southwick), and his opponent, Democrat Samuel Di Santi of Agawam, took part in a Lincoln/Douglas style debate to address questions from the audience that included, among other things, Di Santi’s criticism of Boldyga’s participation in the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC), particularly as it may affect education policy.

Boldyga is listed on the ALEC website as its Massachusetts chairman. In total, there are more than 70 state chairmen, as some states have two and several have three.

ALEC describes itself as “non-partisan, individual public-private membership association of state legislators,” studying issues of common interest, including education. ALEC contends that it wants to “advance reforms through parental choice, to support efficiency, accountability, and transparency in all educational institutions, and to ensure America’s youth are given the opportunity to succeed.” In Di Santi’s view, its real goals are privatization and union busting.

Questions from audience

Education arose first as one of the submitted questions from the audience: What would each candidate do to strengthen elementary and secondary schools in the towns of the Third Hampden District? Under the agreed-upon rotation, Boldyga spoke to that question first.

He said that he is a graduate of a public high school himself, and a graduate of a local institution of higher learning, Western New England University.

“I’m still paying off my college loans,” he said, adding he is very aware of the issues in this area.

As to his record in regards to education: he said that during his first term, there was an effort to cut advanced placement (AP) monies for schools in the state budget. This would have threatened the ability of high schools in the area to offer their brightest students access to rigorous, college level AP

courses. “[But] I worked with my Democratic colleagues,” he said, adding that he helped rescue such programs from the threatened cuts through the Massachusetts Math and Science Initiative (MMSI). That sort of constituent representation and responsiveness “is what I’ve done for the last two years and I will continue to do that.”

Di Santi replied sharply, “We need someone on Beacon Hill who is going to work for the students and work with the MTA” – the Massachusetts Teachers Association. This is where Boldyga’s involvement with ALEC came up. Di Santi said that ALEC is pressing for the privatization of the school system. “You can’t be for education if you support ALEC,” he said.

Questioning each other

In a later portion of the program (what the moderator called the “Lincoln/Douglas” debate), the candidates asked each other questions, and had opportunities to rebut the answers they received. Here, Di Santi returned to ALEC.

“How can you belong...and still maintain you have the interests of the people of Hampden [County] at heart,” he wanted to know.

According to Di Santi, ALEC is run by large corporations and supported by the Koch brothers – Charles and David Koch, billionaires who together own most of the equity of Koch Industries, which has interests in oil refining, chemicals, minerals, commodity trading and services. The Koch brothers’ support of a variety of free-market oriented organizations has made them quite visible.

Boldyga apparently understood Di Santi’s challenge as implying that he was supported by the kind of big money deployed by Koch Industries and other corporations of that scale, a point he targeted in his response.

He said that he had been outspent in all his campaigns, and Di Santi is likely to outspend him in this one. He added that Di Santi is here resorting to “very Washington talking points.”

Boldyga has been, on his own account, waging this campaign by knocking on doors and talking to voters about their concerns. None of them has yet expressed an interest in ALEC, he said, so he was surprised that Di Santi is so intrigued by it.

The candidates did discuss other issues during the forum. Di Santi said, for example, that he believes small businesses should have opportunities to write off the value of their equipment and machinery more rapidly than at present for purposes of tax relief. Boldyga replied that the key issue for

businesses is the cost of doing business in Massachusetts as a whole, and that this includes energy costs and regulatory red tape as well as taxes.

He said that when he talks to business people in this district they complain that they “used to be able to file for only two permits a year, whereas now it is likely to be a dozen or two dozen,” and he expects to address such issues in his next term.

‘Mail for Heroes’ mailbox open through Dec. 7

Since military deployments and hospital stays may keep many of our nation’s heroes away from their families this holiday season, the American Red Cross is collecting and distributing cards that send words of encouragement, gratitude and cheer.

From now through Dec. 7, Americans can give something that means something by sending a card of thanks and support to members of the Armed Forces, veterans and their families.

The Red Cross is inviting the public to send messages of thanks and holiday cheer until Dec. 7 by mailing them to Holiday Mail for Heroes, P.O. Box 5456, Capitol Heights, MD 20791-5456

Pitney Bowes Inc. receives cards at the special Holiday Mail post office box, and screens them for hazardous materials. Pitney Bowes screens, packages and ships the cards at no charge, and contributes thousands of volunteer hours at sites around the country.

Red Cross volunteers across the United States and on military installations overseas then sort and deliver the cards throughout the holiday season. The Red Cross and Pitney Bowes have received and distributed more than 4.7 million cards for members of the U.S. Armed Forces, veterans and their families since the program began in 2006.

To ensure that cards are delivered in time for the holidays, they must be postmarked no later than Dec. 7. Individuals are asked to refrain from sending “care packages,” monetary donations, or using glitter or any other kinds of inserts with the cards. More information and card requirements are at redcross.org/holidaymail.

Knapik celebrates opening of Gateway Cities Innovation Institute

State Sen. Michael R. Knapik, R-Westfield, applauded the opening last week of the Gateway Cities Innovation Institute, a new center dedicated to providing research and tools to promote gateway cities throughout the Commonwealth.

Gateway cities, like Chicopee, Holyoke and Westfield, are mid-size cities that have traditionally served as gateways to the middle class but struggle today to move beyond their industrial pasts. In the legislature, gateway cities are represented by the Gateway Cities Legislative Caucus which works to advance the priorities of gateway cities.

This year the caucus successfully passed a new education grant, available to schools in Gateway Cities, laid the groundwork to obtain additional funds for rehabilitating historic buildings, which are often concentrated in Gateway Cities, and initiated a conversation to ensure that the transportation needs of Gateway Cities are met as the Patrick Administration drafts a new statewide transportation plan.

The new Gateway Cities Innovation Institute will provide research and tools for Gateway Cities to advance their goals and the Institute will recruit leaders from these cities to serve

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Opinion

Can you decide death with dignity?

While only three state-wide questions will appear on the Nov. 6 general election ballot out of a whopping 20 that did not gain enough support, one measure to establish an "Act Relative to Death with Dignity" has gone largely overlooked in the various political races across the Commonwealth. And it deserves a much closer examination.

When we think of assisted death in this country, euthanasia proponent Dr. Jack Kevorkian comes to mind as the extreme prodigy for the movement. Ballot Question 2 asks voters to approve or deny the proposed law, which proponents are clear to point out is not akin to assisted suicide.

According to text of the initiative, the proposed measure would allow for a terminally ill patient to be given lethal drugs. A terminally ill patient would be defined as a patient given six months or fewer to live. Patient requesting the medication must be mentally capable to make medical decisions while consulting their respective doctors. Patients would be required to submit their request orally twice and witnessed in writing, and the initial verbal request must be 15 days prior to the written request and second oral request. A blood relative could also authorize the request in concert with the patient. A second doctor must confirm the patient's terminal diagnosis and capability to make health care decisions. A "Yes" vote would enact the law.

According to the question's main supporter, The Massachusetts Death with Dignity Coalition,

"The act gives patients dignity, control, and peace of mind during their final days with their families and loved ones. These are very intimate personal choices that should remain in the hands of the individual, not the government."

Not surprisingly, the Mass Medical Society opposes prescribing life-ending drugs to a patient with a terminal illness, claiming it is "fundamentally incompatible with the physician's role as healer." Catholic Cardinal Sean P. O'Malley con-



curs, arguing that the measure is morally wrong, and that beneficiaries of terminally ill patients could abuse the provisions presented by the proposal.

What is often overlooked in this grand debate that has raged on in our country for well over two decades now is the super advancements in physicians' lifesaving medical procedures coupled with ever more sophisticated pharmaceutical drugs. This new science extends the lives of not only younger persons facing terminal medical challenges, but also the elderly.

So is it wrong to deny patients – many against their own will – to allow their bodies to further decay and continue suffering

when they know the last gasp of their incurable illness is only a question of when – not if? In many minds, death is a highly personal experience, and it can be excruciating and drawn out for individuals who are terminally ill and for their families.

Or is our time here on earth a predetermined calculation by God no matter how ill we become? Is this law a seduction of the soul that offers an easy way out that is morally corrupt?

This debate is one important reason voters should be sure to educate themselves about ballot questions prior to heading to the polls on Nov. 6.

Tax bills due Nov. 1

AGAWAM - The second quarter preliminary real estate and personal property tax bills for fiscal year 2013 are due in the collector's office by 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 1. Bills may also be paid online at www.agawam.ma.us.

Second quarter payment notices were mailed Friday, Sept. 28. By law, bills were mailed to owners of record as of Jan. 1. Any new homeowner or anyone who has not received their real estate or personal property tax bill should contact the collector's office at 786-0400, ext. 8218 to obtain the bill amount.

Letters to the Editor

Former legislator supports DiSanti

To the editor:

I am writing to endorse Sam DiSanti as state representative for the Third Hampden District.

I have known Sam for many years, and know him to be an honest, hard-working man who supports middle class and hard-working families and who will bring our voice back to Boston for the benefit of all residents of Agawam, Granville, and Southwick.

Having worked in the Massachusetts Legislature, I know what skills are needed to be a successful advocate for our district. Sam has the ability to legislate meaningful results for our district and be a strong voice for the citizens of the Third Hampden District.

I respectfully ask for your vote for Sam DiSanti on Tuesday, Nov. 6.

Rosemary Sandlin
Feeding Hills

Just something to think about

To the editor:

Just wondering how much tax mon-

ey the town of Agawam lost and how many people who needed jobs could have been working if it had not been for the parking lawsuit by Phipps Li-

quor.

Think about it.

Bob Eades
Feeding Hills

Harvest festival a huge success

To the editor:

The Agawam Harvest Festival and Family Fun Day Committee of the Agawam Rotary Club would like to thank the vendors, antique car owners, local organizations, high school art students, cheerleaders, band, Rosie Robotics and the Academy of Artistic Performance and all the people who helped make this event a huge success. Special thanks go to our main sponsor, Sarat Ford, of Agawam.

It was so nice to see so many of our townspeople with their families, friends and neighbors having a great time on such a beautiful fall day. We greatly appreciate everyone's support.

George Bitzas, Chairman
Susanne deVillier, Vice-Chairman

Fundraiser leaves bitter aftertaste

To the editor:

On October 14, 2011, Agawam's historic Captain Charles Leonard House on Main Street held a wine tasting, with proceeds benefiting the House. I was surprised that such an event was held there because Minerva Davis, who bought and restored the House for community use in the late 1930s, supposedly stipulated that alcohol could not be served on the premises, and none was served for approximately the first 70 years of operation. The Leonard House Corporation is governed by a board of trustees, and Mrs. Davis, who passed away in 1956 at age 94, was an original trustee, though not an officer.

Chris Johnson, the current head trustee, said that the Leonard House began serving alcohol because of the recent tough economic times. He also said that the House's Articles of Incorporation don't prohibit alcohol usage. I recently asked to see a copy of the official document after I learned that a beer and wine tasting is scheduled to take place at the Leonard House on Friday, Oct. 26. The document, which Chris sent without hesitation, doesn't

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The very next day

Earlier this month, by total luck, I ran into '63 classmate Ron Yerrid in the parking lot at McDonald's. What were the chances that we would be there at the same time? We hadn't seen each other since 1963. Ron was up here from his Florida residence visiting his wife's sister. He would be here for a week so I thought maybe we could meet some morning.

Back in 1963, four AHS seniors, Ron Yerrid, Bob Cahill, Ricky White and Andy Morris, were allowed to leave school early to go to Air Force boot camp down in Texas. I knew Bob Cahill had recently moved back to town and here was Ron, 49 years later. Both Ron and Bob were asked to meet me at McDonald's at 8 on Monday morning. You should have seen their surprise when we all arrived at the counter at the same time. I hadn't told either of them who the third person was.

After many AHS and Air Force stories, Ron told Bob and me that he hadn't seen or spoken to Andy Morris in about 20 years. They had lost contact and Ron wasn't sure where Andy was living. I promised Ron to let him know if our 50th reunion committee found Andy. The very next day - not a

week later, not a month later, but the very next day - I read an obituary of Norma Morris who had just passed away, leaving a son Andrew Morris. Norma was old enough to be the mother of our '63 classmate Andy. His home state was given as South Carolina. Could it be our Andy Morris?

The wake was to be Thursday morning in Sixteen Acres. Should I go? Maybe it's a different Andy Morris. An hour of my time, a gallon of gas. There may never be another chance to find him. I decided to go.

The funeral home parking lot was nearly empty. Maybe I should go back to work, but I've gone this far. Entering the parlor I looked to see if anyone looked like what I envisioned Andy to look like. Nobody.

To my surprise, my friends Jonathan and Adria from Suffield were seated in the back. "What are you doing here?" they asked. I showed them a photocopy of Andy's picture and explained I was probably on a wild goose chase. Jonathan looked at the picture and quickly explained that it was a picture of his Dad's cousin Andy who was in the men's room. Moments later Andy came out and I re-introduced myself to him. No doubt I looked just like he had seen me back in



Lou Massoia

1963. Someday we'll get the stories about the Air Force boys for you to enjoy reading.

Two days ago I was looking through a pile of those old high school graduation pictures. The ones you wrote something nice or stupid on and gave to your closest friends. Some

I had were from AHS but the others were from Springfield and dated 1949. Ready to trash them, I quickly looked for a familiar face. A bunch of girls I didn't recognize. Why am I wasting my time? The next one was signed "Always, Louie."

Boy, that sure looks like Mr. Massoia, our former school committee member. A call to Lou Massoia confirmed that he was a good friend of classmate Joyce (LeClair) Ramah who had been given the picture a long time ago.

Lou told me he went into the Army after Tech and was chosen to be the aide of Agawam's General Creighton Abrams in Korea. Lou told me about Gen. Abrams, facts you won't find in history books, like he enjoyed a good cigar. Lou also told me that Gen. Abrams' sister, Elizabeth James, lived in Feeding Hills. I learned that the next day (Oct. 19) was her 96th birthday. You know me, the very next day I knocked on her door and wished her a happy birthday. What a memory. I wished "happy birthday" to the sister of Agawam's most famous ever Brownie!

EDITOR'S NOTE: Walt Willard went to AHS and taught math there for 16 years. He can be reached at 786-7924. Call him. Walt loves your feedback and any and all information or tidbits you can offer.

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mention alcohol at all, but does list the following purposes for which the corporation was formed: "To encourage and promote interest in antiquarian, historical, literary and artistic pursuits; to encourage and promote wholesome recreation; and in general to do any and all things tending to enhance the civic, educational, charitable and benevolent life of the community." Is a beer and wine tasting compatible with those guidelines? You be the judge.

I'm not sure of the exact date that alcohol started being served at the Leonard House, but it was before last year's wine tasting, according to an e-mail I received Oct. 12, 2011 from trustee Judy Clini, which said, "Some

time ago the trustees voted to allow alcoholic beverages to be served at the Leonard House. People who rent the house for events have the opportunity to have a champagne toast at a wedding reception, or sometimes an alcoholic punch is served at a shower."

The Leonard House was self-sustaining as recently as July of 2008, according to Agawam Historical Commission Chairman David Cecchi, yet bookings must have decreased so precipitously in the following two years or so that a rash move such as serving alcohol was apparently needed to restore the House's financial health. That might be the case but it's hard to believe.

Mike Marieb
Feeding Hills

ADOG to host NYC trip

Experience the holiday lights or just enjoy the hustle and bustle of New York City with an "on your own" bus trip Sunday, Dec. 16 sponsored by the Agawam Dog Owners Group (ADOG). Departure time is 7:30 a.m. from Dave's Soda and Pet City and the bus will leave New York City at 5:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$50 and may be purchased by contacting Debbi Sanchez at 374-4684 or Scott Milliken at 575-2084. All proceeds will benefit the development and maintenance of a dog park in Agawam.

Legion hosts Thursday night fish fry

American Legion Post 185, located at 478 Springfield St. in Feeding Hills, hosts a fish fry every Thursday night now through January with servings from 4-7 p.m. (with the exception of Thanksgiving and the week of Christmas).

Offerings include a fish dinner for \$9, fisherman's platter for \$15, scallops and whole belly clams for \$11 and clam chowder for \$3.50. Dinner selections include coleslaw and a choice of onion rings or French fries. Side orders are also available for purchase.

Take-out orders are available and the legion is handicapped-accessible. Seniors are welcome.

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In the Classroom

'LUNCH WITH THE MAYOR'



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Amelia Checca was the winner of “Lunch With the Mayor” and three friends at Clifford Granger School’s silent auction. Lunch was donated by Partner’s Restaurant on Springfield Street in Agawam and was held Oct. 12 at Granger School. Back row (from left) Cheryl Salomão, principal, and Amyanne Checca, PTO president. Front row, from left, Alexis Guay, Amelia Checca, Mayor Richard A. Cohen, Diana Gharreb, and Mia Pickett.

Festival slated for Oct. 28 at James Clark School

The James Clark Parent Teacher Organization’s Fall Festival will be held Sunday, Oct. 28 from noon to 3 p.m. at the school, located at 65 Oxford St., Agawam.

The public is invited for a celebration of the New England autumn season with students and their families. In addition to a DJ for entertainment, refreshments, pumpkin

decorating, face painting, a bounce house, train rides, pumpkin bowling, arts ‘n crafts, clown balloons, and more will be party of the day’s events.

Volunteers from the Agawam High School Key Club will be on hand to help with the over 300 people expected.

'Technos' team up with seniors



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Back row (from left), Nathan Lindell, Brian Langston, Kaden Sheehan; middle row, Christopher Cameon and Cameron Courchesne; seated, Donovan Salva, Fran Brooks, and Cameron Cofer.

The “Lego Technos” at Robinson Park Elementary School are learning how to help make a senior’s life easier. In accordance with this year’s Junior Lego League theme, “Super Seniors,” the Lego Technos are working as a team to build a Lego-sized, motorized chair.

The team spent time interviewing a local senior (Techno Cameron Cofer’s grandfather), Fran Brooks, asking him questions about how technology has changed since he was a child. This collaboration will support the Lego Technos’ master plan.

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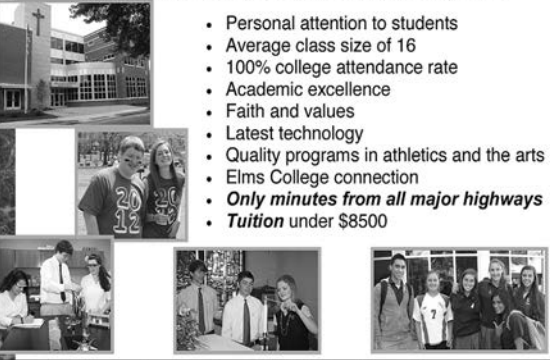
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One year later: reflecting on 'Octo-snow'

STORM, from page 1
that I hope it never happens again.”
The “Octo-snow,” as Cohen calls it, dropped about 10 inches of heavy wet snow locally. Most of the damage occurred because of the timing of the storm – when the leaves were still on the trees.

The combination was a recipe for disaster as the following morning, a Sunday, after residents managed to unbury themselves from the unexpected fall blast, they had to try to navigate through roads that had tree limbs hanging, or downed wires and debris blocking one or both lanes.

It took about two days for Agawam and other communities to organize a response to the storm and about that amount of time before Western Massachusetts Electric Company (WMECO) – which was widely criticized for their handling of the storm – to start to respond to the 80 percent of the town that was without power.

Cohen said outside factors such as government and WMECO response caused complications in the restoration process, but he was proud of the way local officials handled the situations.

“Looking back, I am very proud of the police, fire, emergency management, public works, and all the employees of the town,” said Cohen. “They all did an excellent job and did the best they could. And we did not lose any lives as a result of the storm.”

Since the storm, Cohen said the town has been working to update the emergency management website, and provide information for residents about storm preparedness. He also said the town has applied for a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant to buy a backup power generator for Agawam Town Hall. It took three days before the town hall was operational to help field calls from concerned residents.

The Department of Public Works (DPW) had the tall task of making the roadways at

least passable for residents and for power crews needing to reach blocked areas of town to restore power.

DPW Superintendent Christopher Golba said he felt his crews did the best job they could and are always prepared, but that every situation is different.

“There are some things you cannot prepare for,” said Golba. “We can do the best we can to have practices, but every storm or disaster is different.”

Cohen said he agreed, as most town officials commented last year that they had not seen a disaster like the snowstorm in their entire lives.

But Cohen also said he believed the storm offered an opportunity to see what the townspeople are made of.

“This was a situation where you saw people and their families come together,” said Cohen. “The people in Agawam are strong and are dedicated to helping themselves and each other. Every situation is different, but our goal will always be to keep people safe.”

Cohen, Golba, and Emergency Management Director Chet Nicora advise residents to learn more about individual preparedness and make sure they are stocking enough food, water, and other provisions in the event of an emergency. The updated emergency management website (<http://www.agawamem.org>) also has information about town procedures and where shelter is located.

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School Committee approves graduation change

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committee to address the issue “as quickly as possible” so he and his staff could begin making preparations for graduating the more than 300 seniors.

Many pluses to current site

Agawam has held graduation ceremonies at Symphony Hall for more than 20 years. Lemanski recommended continuing to hold graduation at that location for a variety of reasons.

“Not only is their staff professional and friendly, but their facility has many features that complement our graduates and their honored guests,” he explained in a memo to the committee.

He added that Symphony Hall is large enough to accommodate many guests, but yet small enough to maintain a feeling of closeness among graduates, their families, and their friends. “Its upscale décor emphasizes just how very special this milestone is,” said Lemanski.

When contacted later and asked if he had looked at other possible locations to hold graduation for the 2013, he said he had. “We’ve considered the Mass Mutual Center, but it just seems too big.”

Prior to moving to Symphony Hall, Agawam used to hold graduation at the Eastern States Exposition’s Coliseum building in West Springfield. Lemanski said some people have asked him about again using the Coliseum, but he said there are drawbacks to that location. For instance, the Coliseum is not air conditioned and it has a dirt floor.

Agawam began using the Coliseum for graduation in the 1960s when class sizes became too large for the high school auditorium. According to the superintendent’s office, the Class of 1965 was the first senior class to use the Coliseum.

Lemanski said with more than 2,500 people attending graduation ceremonies, it re-

quires a location other than the high school. He said the school doesn’t have an indoor area that can handle such a large number of people.

He added that while many schools hold graduation outdoors, concerns about the unpredictability of weather conditions doesn’t make that a viable alternative for Agawam.

According to the tentative contract with Symphony Hall that Lemanski provided to the committee along with his reasons for recommending it, the fee to rent the site for graduation is \$5,750.

More weekend time to celebrate

After so many years of having a traditional Sunday graduation, Lemanski said he doesn’t believe that moving it to Saturday for 2013 will create any problems. “I’m looking forward to it,” he said.

He added that the change to a Saturday morning graduation also has a positive benefit for graduates and their families. “There are many graduation celebrations, so having graduation on a Saturday allows more time on the weekend after graduation for families to celebrate.”

Lemanski said he doesn’t know yet if this is a one-year change, with graduation going back to being held on a Sunday in 2014, or if it is perhaps the beginning of a new tradition.

“I don’t know which direction we will go for next year,” he said “It all depends on the availability of Symphony Hall and whether or not Saturday works better.” Moving the day, he added, might not “make a difference.”

Lemanski said the fact that the town adopts its school budget on an annual basis, likely precludes the possibility of negotiating a multiple-year contract with Symphony Hall.

“We have yearly school budgets, so we usually do it year by year.”

Nick Longhi

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Tuesday, Oct. 30: Health Expo – 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (morning classes cancelled); 2:30 p.m., Chorus; 4:15 p.m., Yoga; 6 p.m., Beginners Line Dancing; 6:30 p.m., Evening Sewing Class.

Wednesday, Oct. 31: 8:15 a.m., Yoga, Weight Training; 9:45 a.m., Gentle Yoga; Noon, Talk on Wolves with Live Demonstration; 12:30 p.m., Bridge; 1 p.m., Ballroom Lessons; 1:30 p.m., Chapter I Meeting; 5 p.m., Zumba with Donna.

Thursday, Nov. 1: 9 a.m., Exercise; 9:30 a.m., Quilting; 10 a.m., Line Dancing II; 12:30 p.m., Bridge; 1 p.m., Pitch; 1:30 p.m., Open Art Class; 2 p.m., Melody Band; 6:30 p.m., Pitch; 7 p.m., Autism Support Group.

Friday, Nov. 2: 8:30 a.m., Tap Class; 9:15 a.m., Oil Painting; 9:30 a.m., Hand and Foot Card Game; 10 a.m., Tai Chi; 11:15 a.m., Yoga; Noon, Canasta; 1 p.m., Pitch, Cribbage; 5 p.m., Zumba with Donna.

Lunch menu

Monday, Oct. 29: Tortellini carbonara, Caesar salad, mixed fruit.

Tuesday, Oct. 30: Baked chicken, fat-free gravy, vegetable stuffing, California blend, banana.

Wednesday, Oct. 31: Happy Halloween - Ghoulash, entrails salad, “spooky” sweets.

Thursday, Nov. 1: American chop suey, salad, peaches.

Friday, Nov. 2: Linguini and red clam sauce, three-bean salad, pudding.

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Notes from The Music Room

By Darcy Davis

Another interesting development in the UMass band story came up when Tony Mower said that they were going to do an exhibition at a high school marching band contest in Connecticut where I was the director.

Well, my son has been the band director at Rockville High School since he graduated from the University of Connecticut in 1980 and he is hosting a contest of 10 Connecticut high school marching bands in October.

I inquired as to why the UMass band was going to Connecticut with eight buses and

nearly 400 members when they don't go to any high schools in Massachusetts. Well, it seems that just about all of the state bands here go to the UMass Band Day and see that fantastic band at that time. Students from Connecticut schools never do see the UMass band and this is a chance to give them this opportunity.

Now that the UMass away football games are played at Gillette Stadium in Fox, it would not be too far out of the way to swing down into Connecticut on the way home on that day.

You know where I will, hopefully, be on that day.

Calvi named deputy fire chief

DEPUTY, from page 1

lieutenant position for B group at headquarters: “the day to day contact with the guys.”

Over the last year, while working as deputy chief, Brown has helped to coordinate different local, state and federal agencies in the aftermath of events such as the June 2011 tornado, Hurricane Irene and the October 2011 snowstorm.

“We had some major incidents and they might be over in a day or two but the meetings and efforts go on even to this day,” Brown said. “It has been a rewarding experience to be a part of that.”

He called the deputy chief role a “go-to position.”

“If the troops need anything, you try to get it for them,” Brown said.

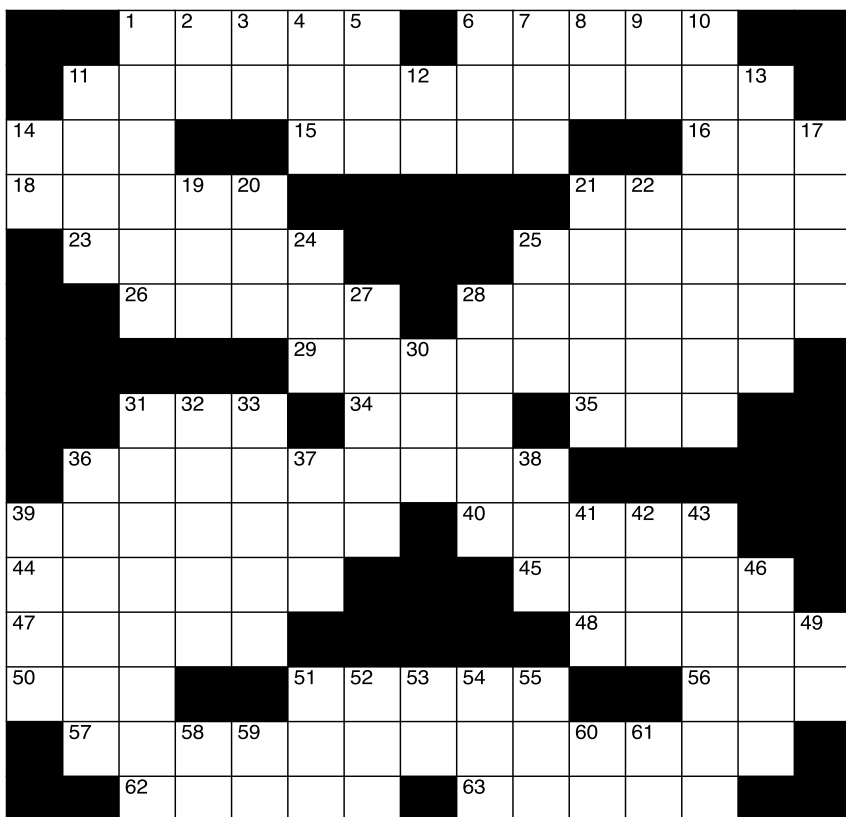
A member of the department since 1977, Brown said he plans to take the rest of his career “one year at a time.”

“It's the best job in the world,” he said. “It's been a great opportunity to work up front here, for sure. The chief has been fantastic; the guys have been good, and working and coordinating the efforts with all the different agencies that you have contact with has been a pleasure.”

Sirois said he was happy with Calvi's official appointment.

“It stabilizes the department and allows us to continue to move forward and be progressive,” he said.

Calvi will likely take on his new duties starting Nov. 12 when Brown will move back to “working on the floor.”



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CLUES ACROSS

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6. Grand Caravan brand

11. Immeasurably small

14. Myriagram

15. Yellow-fever mosquito

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21. Adobe house

23. Direct to a source

25. Piper __, actress

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28. Moral excellences

29. Describes distinct concepts

31. Rubberized raincoat

34. Inhabitants of the Earth

35. Distress signal

36. Destroyed by secret means

39. Skin abrasions

40. Caesar or tossed

44. Supplied with a chapeaux

45. Fictional elephant

47. Forced open

48. Pole (Scottish)

50. Browning of the skin

51. Boy Scout merit emblem

56. British thermal unit

57. Decomposes naturally

62. Freshet

63. Lawn game

CLUES DOWN

1. Fished in a stream

2. Left heart there

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4. Nursing organization

5. Cease to live

6. River in NE Scotland

7. Former CIA

8. Didymium

9. Gram

10. Audio membranes

11. 8th Jewish month

12. Touchdown

13. Madames

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17. Fabric colorants

19. Capital of Bashkortostan

20. Extra dry wine

21. An Indian dress

22. Expenditure

24. Ribbed or corded fabric

25. Can top

27. So. African Music Awards

28. Weather directionals

30. A scrap of cloth

31. Gin & vermouth cocktails

32. A way to lessen

33. Contended with difficulties

Answers on page 17

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Balancing Act: How to Juggle Commitments to Work and Family

The two-income family has grown so much in recent years that it has almost become the norm. It's often not a question of "Does Mom work?" but rather, "What does Mom do for a living?" Still, having both parents contributing to the household income means changes to the family dynamic are inevitable. This begs the question of how to balance it all.

Proponents of dual-income families say that in an economy where everything seems to cost more, it's a smart idea for both parents to work. This scenario may offer greater financial security, and protect against financial disaster should the "primary" earner lose his or her job. It has also been said that when both parents work, there are opportunities to split up responsibilities at home and lay to rest any lingering stereotypes about what's man's work and what's woman's work around the house.

Others say that it's actually a financial trap. There are arguments that the abundance of two-income families has driven up prices so that it is more difficult for individuals with one income to live comfortably. Plus, there's no guarantee that two incomes will provide financial security, especially when every penny is accounted for, as is often the case in two-income environments.

Whether one is for or against two-income families, in a world where it has become so prevalent, families are learning to adapt. There are certain areas of life where it can be stressful or difficult to do it all, especially from the woman's perspective. However, there are many strategies for staying sane while working and caring for a family. Here are a few tips.

- Stay involved in school. Working parents may be at a loss as to how they can get involved with school or daycare happenings without compromising work. While not everyone can be "Class Mom," ask the teacher what you can do to contribute on your own time. Perhaps you can use business savvy to create a class Web site or weekly newsletter. Talk with your boss to see if one day a month can be taken so that you can volunteer time at school, with work hours made up on a weekend or with a flex time program. Find out if party planning can be done after work hours.

- Avoid busy mornings. With everyone getting dressed and ready for work and school at the same time, mornings can be chaotic. The best idea is to do as much as possible the night before. Everyone in the household should lay his or her clothes out for the following day. Briefcases and

backpacks should be stocked and ready to grab. Lunches can be pre-made and stored in the refrigerator. You can have the children do as much as they can to free up your time to ready yourself. This will help them feel important as well as give you a break. Make arrangements with neighbors to get kids on the school bus or participate in a car pool scenario.

- Making the most of evenings. Set aside at least one night a week where the family comes together. This means no late work projects, sports practices, etc. Turn off the television and spend time together. On other nights, take the time to touch base with everyone in the house. Aim for family dinners together, even if it's a quick meal of heat-and-eat convenience foods.

- Establish a routine. Kids (and often adults) feel most comfortable with a routine, especially when they know what to expect. Create a routine that works for you -- don't worry if it's not the perceived "right" way to do things. For example, maybe the kids can eat a toaster cake on the way to school if breakfast time is rushed. It's alright to let the kids watch a few minutes of cartoons in the morning if it frees up a moment for you to hop in the shower.

- Get some help. You don't have to

be Superwoman to get it all done. Sometimes it takes a little help. If the laundry is overflowing and you'd rather play with the kids on the weekend instead of spending the day folding clothes, drop it off at the laundromat to be washed and folded. Set up a kid swap with other working moms so that one day they take and entertain the kids and the next day you do, especially if work commitments call. Perhaps a grandparent or a neighbor can pitch in. Order groceries online and have them delivered so it frees up more time for the family.

- Make time for you. It's alright to set aside some time for yourself and your spouse. It doesn't always have to be about the kids. In fact, if your relationship is strong, it will carry over into the way you handle yourself with the children and promote a stronger dynamic and could help you focus more at work. Whenever possible, take moments to talk with your spouse or go to bed at the same time and enjoy private moments.

Balancing work and family is something more and more families are having to do as of late. Learning strategies for making the most of time at work and at home will enable working parents to reduce some stress and enjoy their days as much as possible.

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The Salon itself, located in Feeding Hills, has five additional stylists, a nail technician, a makeup artist, a spraytan technician, and two receptionists to provide the best experience possible for the clientele. Keeping her clients on the cutting edge is Maria's passion, and in addition to all normal services, she has put a focus on hair and makeup for weddings as well.

Salon 322 has strong ties to local charitable events, and Maria has made it a point to foster philanthropy as part of the Salon 322 service culture. To date,



Salon 322 has raised over \$6000 to worthy causes such as Rays of Hope, the MS Society and the May Institute for Early Intervention, as well as involvement in various food drives, and the Soldier Drive.

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An ‘electrifying’ night of Russian music

Springfield Symphony Concert
Nov. 3 features Van Cliburn
winner pianist Ralph Votapek

By Charles F. Bennett
Staff Writer

SPRINGFIELD – The very first winner of the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition, Ralph Votapek, will join the Springfield Symphony Orchestra in a night of “electrifying” Russian music Saturday, Nov. 3 at 7:30 p.m. in Symphony Hall.

Maestro Kevin Rhodes will lead the orchestra in an evening of all Russian music, Borodin’s “Prince Igor Overture”, Prokofiev’s “Piano Concerto No. 3”, and Tchaikovsky’s “Symphony No. 2” also known as “Little Russian”.

The concert is a special one for Rhodes because he studied piano under Votapek at Michigan State University. Now, the master comes to Springfield to play with his former student.

“It is also special because Ralph Votapek will reprise his performance of the Prokofiev ‘Piano Concerto’ which he won with in the inaugural Van Cliburn Competition a little over 50 years ago,” said Rhodes.

The Van Cliburn International Piano Competition was first held and won by Votapek in 1962 in Fort Worth, Texas and is hosted by the Van Cliburn Foundation. It was created by Fort Worth area teachers in honor of Van Cliburn, who had won the first International Tchaikovsky Competition four years prior with Tchaikovsky’s “First Piano Concerto and Rachmaninoff’s Piano Concerto No. 3.”

Born in Milwaukee, Votapek’s compelling keyboard style embodies all that is best in 20th-century piano traditions. A New York critic wrote, “He combines the elements of the grand-manner prewar era with the modern-day virtues of fastidious clarity and electrifying rhythmic flair.”

Votapek has frequently played with the Philadelphia Orchestra, the New York Philharmonic, the Los Angeles Philharmonic, the Pittsburgh Symphony, the San Francisco Symphony, National Symphony, and leading orchestras in St. Louis, Houston, Dallas, and Louisville.

“I call this concert ‘Electrifying Russian Music’ because of its fire, poetry and tonal warmth,” said Rhodes.

Based on thematic material written between 1911 and



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Pianist Ralph Votapek, the first person ever to win the Van Cliburn piano competition 50 years ago, will be guest soloist with Maestro Kevin Rhodes and the Springfield Symphony Orchestra, Saturday, Nov. 3 at 7 p.m.

1916 “Piano Concerto No. 3” is Prokofiev’s most popular. The concerto opens with a gentle theme, is followed by a section of several rapid, virtuosic motifs in the percussive style, common to his piano music and then coalesces. Subsequent movements involve intense variations and then it fades off in a whisper.

Borodin

Alexander Borodin was a Russian romantic composer of Georgian–Russian parentage. He was a member of the group of composers who were dedicated to producing a specifi-

cally Russian kind of art music. He is best known in the U.S. for his music from “Prince Igor”.

Based on a Russian epic from the 12th century, it recounts the story of the heroic Russian warrior who goes to war with the Polovtsi, a Tatar warrior tribe. But a sudden eclipse of the sun bodes ill for Igor’s army; after it is defeated, he is captured. After many tribulations, Igor manages to escape and rejoin his faithful wife.

Tchaikovsky

Composer Peter Tchaikovsky’s inspiration went through extreme cycles, tied to his frequent bouts of deep depression and self-doubt and he went through many mood swings. But, it was in his symphonies where he most overtly expressed his emotions.

Rhodes and the orchestra will present his aptly named “Little Russian”. The symphony incorporates three authentic folksongs originating in what the Russians called “Little Russia”, which is actually the Ukraine, now. He heard those songs in the streets of a small town. The symphony had a successful premier in 1881 Moscow.

An informal half-hour discussion about the evening’s concert, “Classical Conversations,” will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the hall with Maestro Rhodes. After the concert, the audience is welcome to meet Maestro Rhodes, Ralph Votapek and the musicians in the Mahogany Room.

The Center for Human Development and the Springfield Symphony Orchestra are collaborating to collect winter hats, mittens and scarves for Greater Springfield families and are asking orchestra patrons to donate those items at the concert.

For tickets go to SpringfieldSymphony.org or call 413-733-2291.

Tickets for ICC ‘Porchetta Dinner’ on sale now

SPRINGFIELD - The Italian Cultural Center of Western Massachusetts, Inc. (ICC) will host a “Porchetta Dinner” Friday, Nov. 16 at 6 p.m., at the Italian Cultural Center, 56 Margaret St.

Only 100 tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis and must be purchased in advance. Tickets are \$15 for ICC members, \$18 for non-members and are available by calling Nancy at (413) 827-9350. Deadline for purchasing tickets is Nov. 9.

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REUNIONS AHS Class of '72 plans reunion

The Agawam High School Class of 1972 will host its 40th reunion, Saturday, Nov. 24 at Oak Ridge Golf Club, 850 South Westfield St., Feeding Hills. Members of AHS classes 1970 through 1975 are invited to attend.

Cocktail hour will begin at 6 p.m. with butler-style hors d'oeuvres, followed by a buffet dinner. Music and dancing will feature "Fat."

Tickets are \$40 per person. Checks only will be accepted and may be mailed to Barbara (Cariani) Brizzolari, 3G Castle Hill Road, Agawam, MA 01001. Deadline for reservations is Nov. 19. Early payment is requested as a sell-out is expected. There are no refunds.

For more information, contact Barbara (Cariani) Brizzolari at barcar54@yahoo.com, Chris (Hill) Losito at cml57@comcast.net, or Lenore (Masciotra) Brooks at lenorebrooks@comcast.net.

Missing classmates sought

The reunion committee for the Agawam High School Class of 1982 is currently seeking missing classmates. The reunion will be held Saturday, Nov. 24 at St. Anne Country Club from 6-11p.m.

The committee asks classmates to visit the Agawam High School Class of 1982 Facebook page for reunion information. Deadline to submit payment to attend is Nov. 10.

Those that do not have access to Facebook can email Allison Lush Moreau at samoreau88@comcast.net or David Vecchiarelli at hdvecc@juno.com for more information.

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Announcement- Free electronic hearing tests will be given from Monday-Friday 9am – 5pm at Avada Hearing Care Centers at 9 locations in Western Mass. Call to find the location nearest to you. The test has been arranged for anyone who suspects they are not hearing clearly. People who usually say they can hear but have trouble with understanding words are encouraged to come in for the tests. The testing includes newly-developed tests that determine your ability to hear speech in noisy environments. Everyone, especially those over 55 who have trouble hearing words clearly, should have a test annually. Demonstrations of the latest devices to improve clarity of speech will be available, on the spot, after the tests. You can HEAR for yourself if the latest methods of correction will help you understand words better. Call for your Appointment
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ENGAGEMENTS

Heather Ferguson to wed Christopher Lloyd

Christopher Malloy to wed Shannon Gratton



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Heather Ferguson and Christopher Lloyd

Paula and Mark Sullivan, of Agawam, announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Ferguson, to Christopher Lloyd. The future bridegroom is the son of Joseph and Darlene Lloyd, of Westfield.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Agawam High School and received a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Westfield State University and a master's degree in elementary education from Western New England University. She is a fifth grade teacher in Southwick.

The future bridegroom is a graduate of Westfield High School and Springfield Technical Community College. He is a glazier with Westfield Glass in Westfield.

A July 6, 2013 wedding is planned at St. John's Church with a reception at Oak Ridge Golf Club in Feeding Hills.



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Christopher Malloy and Shannon Gratton

Holly and Kevin Malloy, of Agawam, announce the engagement of their son, Christopher K. Malloy, to Shannon A. Gratton. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Elaine and Peter Gratton, of Berkshire County. She is a technical sergeant for Westover ARB in Chicopee.

The future bridegroom is employed as an accountant at the VA in Northampton.

The couple both served in the United States Air Force Reserve at Westover ARB, where they met. They became engaged in March and currently live in Agawam.

A June 15, 2013 wedding is planned.

Breakfast fundraiser to support Lions Club

The Agawam Lions Club will hold its annual Harvest Breakfast Saturday, Nov. 3 from 8 to 11:30 a.m. at the Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main St.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 10 years of age. Tickets are available at Southgate Liquors on Suffield Street and Bob's Barber Shop on Maple Street, both in Agawam. Tickets may also be purchased at the door.

Funds raised will help support the various charities of the Agawam Lions Club.

Agawam K of C news, upcoming events

The Agawam Knights of Columbus will host a Breakfast with Santa Sunday, Nov. 25 from 8 a.m. until noon at St. John's Parish Center, 833 Main St., Agawam. Tickets are \$7 and free for children 10 and under. For more information, contact Frank Maezzie (413) 786-6713 or Joe Pisano at (413) 351-5831.

The Agawam Knights of Columbus will host a raffle calendar for the month of December at \$10 each. If you win your name will be put back in. For calendars and more information, call Dan Pisano at (413) 654-6192 or Bill Tessicini at (413) 789-0540.

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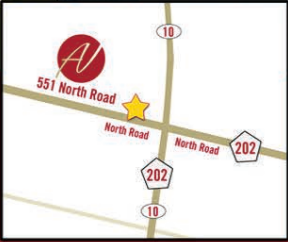
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The line was long for delicious treats from The Lions Den. Pictured here are Bill, Charlie, Ron and Alan.

The Agawam Rotary Club held its Harvest Festival and Family Fun Day Saturday, Oct. 20, with events including an antique car show, a performance by the Agawam High School Marching Mohawks, face painting, crafters, dance performances, a demonstration by Rosie Robotics and a toe-tapping show by the Truck Stop Troubadours, a Feeding Hills-based band that mixes a classic outlaw country sound with hints of Rockabilly and Americana.

Proceeds from the festival will benefit the Rotary's four student scholarship funds awarded to local graduating high school seniors. It was sponsored by Sarat Ford of Agawam and was put on thanks to the work of Rotary Club festival committee members George Bitzas, chairman; Sue deVillier, vice chairman; Alyssa Bys, David Delancey and Earl Eisenbach.



An antique car show lined the streets.



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The Agawam High School cheerleaders were ready to raise funds for their squad, selling their handmade bracelets which have the Agawam colors. Pictured are Kayla Casamento, Dabney Rhua, Emily Whitman, Nicole Whitman, Ashley Webster.



Nathan Blain, 13, demonstrates one of the three 'bots on hand from the Rosie Robotics Club.



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Chase, 4, and Kaelyn McEwan, 8, decided to give it a whirl together.



Hot cider shared with close friends creates heart-warming comfort. Pictured here are Lorraine Mack, Dot Provost, Eleanor Sheridan and Dot Bosley.



A gorgeous fall day for the festival.



SPORTS

Lancer offense overpowers Agawam

By Gregory A. Scibelli
Turley Publications
Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – The Agawam football team engaged in a slugfest with host Longmeadow on a wet and rainy Friday night as they lost 56-30 and dropped to 1-6 for the regular season.



Agawam running back Steve Comee (25) looks for a hole to cut through.

With the foundation of a passing game, Agawam has started to become more competitive as the season has progressed, but were unfortunately not any match for the Lancers, which have always brought a very strong team to the table.

Agawam allowed Longmeadow to own the offensive side of the ball for the majority of the first three quarters. Longmeadow would score on an Austin Sierra 18-yard run to get the scoring going and make it 8-0 Longmeadow early in the first quarter.

But Agawam would answer back with a long drive about five minutes. The Brownies utilized a halfback toss pass, a play that has worked for them in the pass. Quarterback Mike Vecchiarelli handed the ball off to back Stephen Comee, who passed away to leading receiver Greg Carleton. Carleton would go 66 yards for the touchdown.

Josh Flynn would catch a short pass from Comee to pick up the two-point conversion and the two teams were tied 8-8.

Longmeadow, who was coming off a loss to emerging powerhouse Central which Agawam will face next week, would then go on to score 41 unanswered points against the Brownies, leaving Agawam off the scoreboard for more than 30 minutes until they went on a scoring tear with three unanswered touchdowns in the fourth quarter.

First, Nick Antico would score a touchdown early in the fourth quarter, a 15-yard reception coming from Vecchiarelli.

Later in the quarter, Giovanni Russo, who has emerged as one of Agawam's top running backs this season, took a short pass from Vecchiarelli and turned it into a 40-

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Agawam quarterback Mike Veccharelli (12) turns around to hand off the football.

Demers receives Mintonette Award

Honored at Volleyball Hall of Fame induction

By Gregory A. Scibelli
Turley Publications
Sports Correspondent

HOLYOKE – Agawam volleyball coach Patricia Demers was presented with the Mintonette Medallion of Merit Award last Saturday night at the National Volleyball Hall of Fame Induction ceremony at Open Square.

The induction ceremony saw six volleyball players inducted, and Demers, a long-time official at the national level and a coach for the last 15 years at Agawam High School, was one of the main honorees at the event.

She was presented with the award by her daughter, Heidi Johnstone, who currently works at the Hall of Fame and credits her mother with getting her into the sport.

"I have a really special connection with Pat," said Johnstone. "She mentored me when I became an official, and she is my mother."

She complimented her mother's commitment to the sport of volleyball, and talked about how she managed the commitment while having eight children, five of whom were also involved with the sport that was "her life."

Demers said she was humbled to be honored at the Hall of Fame, and appreciated all the dignitaries that came to support her and the support from the Agawam community.

"I can't say enough," Demers said. "I love what I do. It's about the kids, the coaches, and the game. And I am so thankful and

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Agawam volleyball coach Patricia Demers received the Mintonette Medallion of Merit Award at the Volleyball Hall of Fame 2012 Induction Ceremony on Saturday, Oct. 20.

Jimmy Fund Golf raises more than \$6.4 Million for Cancer Research



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Tom Mathes of Feeding Hills, (far right) recently attended the 30th annual Jimmy Fund Classic at The International Golf Club in Bolton to help Jimmy Fund Golf celebrate raising more than \$6.4 million in 2012.

BOLTON - Jim Sadowsky of East Longmeadow; Barbara Hebert and Ted Hebert of West Springfield; and Tom Mathes of Feeding Hills, attended the 30th annual Jimmy Fund Classic at The International Golf Club in Bolton on Oct. 1, to celebrate another season of raising funds on the greens for Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

The Jimmy Fund Classic is an annual event that recognizes tournament organizers and sponsors who helped raise more than \$6.4 million in 2012. Jimmy Fund

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Lady Brownies improve against Orioles

Bombers turn back field hockey

By Gregory A. Scibelli
Turley Publications
Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – It was not as bad as the 13-0 drubbing the Brownies received earlier in the regular season, but the Agawam girls soccer fell Monday afternoon against visit-



Paige Preston starts a penalty corner opportunity for Agawam.

ing Belchertown, 4-1, at Harmon A. Smith Field.
Very early in the season, Agawam traveled to their league rival and found themselves completely outmatched the Division 2 sectional champions.
This time, Belchertown was able to score an early goal only for the Brownies to an-



Goalkeeper Alexa Smith comes up with a play.

swer back a few minutes later with a goal from Riley Hellstein. She would score taking a pass from Julia Serra to the goal to make it 1-1.
But the Orioles would come back with another goal to go to halftime leading 2-1. Belchertown would then tack on two more goals in the second half to keep the game out of reach for the Brownies.
The victory by Belchertown also spoiled any chances of the Brownies reaching the tournament for the first time in four years. Agawam dropped to 4-8-3, and with just three games to play, Agawam will not be able to get the required 18 points needed to reach the tournament.
Agawam also lost 2-1 to Chicopee Comp during the past week and will play out the remainder of their schedule starting Friday when they host Westfield. Agawam beat the Bombers on the road 3-1 earlier this season.
The field hockey team is also nearing the end of their regular season as they were defeated by Westfield on Monday afternoon.
Agawam was trailing in the game and Taylor Misiorski scored to make it 2-1. Agawam and Westfield would each score single goals in the second half and Westfield would on to pick up the South League victory.
Paige Preston had the second half goal for the Brownies to help them stay in the game until the very end.
The loss dropped Agawam to 8-4-4 for the regular season with tough matches coming their way against Longmeadow and Minnechaug to end the regular season.
Agawam will be heading to the tournament again. Last year, they lost 2-0 in the



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Alexis Vecchiarelli makes a run down the right side.
Western Massachusetts Division I finals to Longmeadow. Agawam has had another positive season, but have struggled against their league opponents so far this year with a 1-3-2 record.
Agawam will host Senior Day Friday when they host Minnechaug at 4:45 p.m. The Brownies tied 1-1 with the Falcons earlier this season.
Gregory A. Scibelli is a sports correspondent for Turley Publications. He can be reached at gscibelli@turley.com.

COLLEGE NEWS

Wheeler finishes tied for ninth
BERNARDSTON - Nichols men's golf sophomore and Agawam resident Kevin Wheeler finished at plus-16 to tie for ninth place at the 2012 Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division III Golf Championship on Sunday at Crumpin Fox Golf Club.
Wheeler opened the tournament by posting an 82 on Saturday before shaving four strokes off that total in Sunday's around for a total score of 160.
Fruwirth sets two records
MILTON - Curry football junior quarterback and Agawam resident Kevin Fruwirth threw for three touchdowns and ran for another, leading Curry to a come-from-behind 34-24 victory over visiting Nichols in New England Football Conference (NEFC) Boyd Division action Saturday afternoon.
Fruwirth was 30-for-45 for 375 yards and three touchdowns. In the process, he established school records for completions (222) and attempts (384) in a season.

Duquette helps Westfield to win
WESTFIELD - Westfield State women's volleyball sophomore middle hitter and Feeding Hills resident Carole Duquette finished with seven kills in a 26-24, 25-13, 25-13 win over MCLA on Tuesday, Oct. 16.
Ripke earns defensive save
WORCESTER - Southern Maine women's field hockey freshman and Agawam resident Megan Ripke had a defensive save in a 4-0 win over Worcester State on Wednesday, Oct. 17.

BACK-TO-BACK CHAMPS



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NATICK - The Agawam Twisters recently won the Natick Columbus Day Tournament for the second straight year. Players include: Mia Kelley, Emily Bonfiglio, Sydney Anderson, Payton Lemke, Mary Kate Wysocki, Olivia Frogameni, Olivia Courchesne, Maddie Manser, Alex Oldenburg, Abby Rodriguez, Kristen Langevin, Amanda Woodford, Stephanie Maloni, Katherine Dustin, Amanda Beaulieu, Nadia Ghareeb and McKenzie Lyne. The team was coached by Carrie Kelley and assistant coach Rob Anderson.

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Agawam plays in annual Valley Cup

HOLYOKE - Youth field hockey teams from across the Pioneer Valley gather at the Roberts Sports Complex for the fourth annual Valley Cup Tournament Oct. 13-14. Holyoke Parks & Recreation hosted the popular event while close to 300 young athletes competed for the “Valley Cup,” a two-foot tall trophy with the names of past winners inscribed on the base. The competition in the junior and senior divisions included teams from: Agawam, Longmeadow, Northampton, South Hadley, Westfield, Wilbraham, and the host city of Holyoke.

On Saturday, the Junior champions were crowned as Longmeadow narrowly defeated Holyoke, a past winner of the tournament, 1-0. Holyoke had a limited roster to start the day and lost two players for the final game, playing the final with only nine players while Longmeadow fielded the full 11. The game was even over the course of the first 39:00 with both teams having great passing and scoring chances. Longmeadow found their scoring touch with 1:00 remaining in the contest scoring the games only goal to defeat Holyoke 1-0.

Prior to the championship game, Westfield (red) defeated a strong Wilbraham team after the full game, an overtime period and penalty strokes still left the teams deadlocked. The deciding penalty stroke was the fifth taken by Westfield and then Wilbraham had a chance to tie the score with their last penalty stroke and the goalkeeper made a great save to secure the Junior division’s bronze medal.

Sunday saw the Senior division play games in all types of weather. The games started out with a cold and heavy rain in the morning while during the championship game it was warm and sunny. The Senior division was extremely

competitive with several teams having a chance at this year’s title.

“The quality of field hockey, at the youth level, in the area has increased recently and so has the parity in the tournament. This is because of a few of reasons, including: coaches education has increased, opportunities to play year-round have increased with clubs like one of our sponsors, Nomads Field Hockey, and field hockey is attracting more athletic players because it’s challenging and fun,” said tournament director Peter Leclerc of the Holyoke Parks & Recreation Department.

The bronze medal game was much closer that the final score would indicate. Agawam defeated Longmeadow (black), 3-0. Both teams played an exciting style of field hockey with Agawam converting on three of their scoring chances while Longmeadow could not find the back of the goal.

Overtime was needed to settle the Senior championship game with Westfield downing last year’s champion Wilbraham, 1-0. Throughout the first 40 minutes of play, both teams displayed the speed and skill that carried them into the final game. If it wasn’t for outstanding play from both team’s defenders and goalkeepers the game would have been decided prior to the overtime period. With the score 0-0, the teams entered the 8 v 8 overtime period with the first team to score winning. At the 12:00 mark, Westfield broke through and a player was able to slip a shot past the Wilbraham goal keeper. The benches emptied on to the field for both teams with Westfield mobbing the goal scorer. This year was the first time Westfield has won the title.

SPORTS CALENDAR

Booster Club calendars available

AGAWAM - The Agawam High School Golf Booster Club is selling raffle calendars for the month of November at a cost of \$5 each.

You can win more than once.
If you would like a calendar, email Rita.Oleksak@gmail.com or call 413-530-0989.

AHS Hockey Booster Club meeting

AGAWAM - The Agawam High School Hockey Booster Club will hold the first meeting of the season Monday, Nov. 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend.
Upcoming events will be discussed.
For more information, contact Mary Jenks at 413-789-2676 or Chris Kierkla at 413-786-3223

AIC basketball to host girls clinic

SPRINGFIELD – The American International College women’s basketball team will host a self-improvement clinic Sunday, Nov. 25 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The clinic is designed to improve the skills and overall game of female basketball players in grades 2-12.

The clinic will be directed by head coach Kristen Patterson and assistant coach Stacy Boisvert.

Cost is \$30.
For more information about registration, contact Boisvert at 413-205-3923 or visit www.aicyellowjackets.com.

To get your organization’s information placed in the Agawam Advertiser News, contact Sports Editor Dave Forbes at 413-283-8393 ext. 237 or send an email to dforbes@turley.com.

SAFL standings

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TEAM	W	L	T	PF	PA
Springfield 5A	8	0	0	160	44
Holyoke	5	2	1	66	24
South Hadley	4	3	1	88	96
Springfield CYO	4	4	0	128	108
Westfield	3	3	2	108	94
Longmeadow	3	3	2	100	94
East Longmeadow	1	6	1	48	128
Agawam	0	7	1	56	166

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Holyoke	8	0	0	172	30
Springfield 5A	6	1	1	188	94
Westfield	5	2	1	140	76
Longmeadow	5	2	1	142	86
Springfield CYO	3	4	1	96	102
East Longmeadow	2	6	0	92	170
South Hadley	1	7	0	48	154
Agawam	0	8	0	30	196

SENIORS

Springfield 5A	7	1	0	212	58
Westfield	6	2	0	184	70
Holyoke	6	2	0	194	96
East Longmeadow	5	3	0	152	120
Springfield CYO	4	4	0	148	112
South Hadley	2	6	0	72	180
Longmeadow	1	7	0	54	218
Agawam	0	7	0	48	210

FOOTBALL, from page 14

yard touchdown reception. Vecchiarelli would then pass to Comee for the conversion.

And finally, Vecchiarelli would score himself on a short run and then score the conversion on a similar play by himself.

Agawam continues to work on developing their passing game, and Vecchiarelli has amassed more than 1,400 passing yards. A little more than half of those yards have been to the sure hands of Carleton, who is among leaders in receiving yards with 749.

Against Longmeadow, Vecchiarelli passed for 225 yards and two touchdowns. Carleton had six receptions for 147 yards. Russo would run for 82 yards for the Brownies.

Agawam hosts Central Friday at 7 p.m.

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Agawam running back Steve Comee (25) gets some blocking help as he looks to get out to the edge.

DEMERS, from page 14

proud to be part of the Hall and the sport.”

Agawam High School Athletics Director David Stratton said since helping start the volleyball program at the high school, Demers has done more than coach great volleyball teams.

“She gives of herself to the school and the community,” said Stratton. “I can count on her for her leadership and she is always helping her players both on and off the court.”

Josh Jacques, a member of the boys volleyball team that has been the sectional championship each of the past two years, said Demers has invaluable knowledge of the sport.

“She is really the best coach,” said Jacques. “She’s always willing to help. She cares about us and has so much knowledge of the game. She explains things better than any coach I have ever had.”

Her development of the Agawam High School program, which has seen the boys as perennial playoff favorites during the past five years, is just one of many major accomplishments the longtime official and coach has attained.

Demers said she had a short playing career by joining with an adult team at the Springfield Turnverin at 15 years old. By the time volleyball had gained more popularity, there was very little she could do in the way of playing.

She said she studied volleyball officials at a USA Open event held at Springfield College many years ago. From there, she became an official doing officiating and score-keeping all over the area. She even officiated some international matches.

Her crowning achievement as an official was being named an alternate official and spending time in Long Beach, Calif., at the 1984 Summer Olympic games.

Later in her life, Demers learned of the establishment of a new program at Agawam High School in 1998, and decided after some time to apply for the job. Through her time officiating, she had learned the ins and outs of strategy and skill, and wanted to bring those skills to Agawam.

“I was looking to help establish a program for a sport I loved,” said Demers. “I wanted the kids who had grown up with soccer and baseball to have an alternative choice if they wanted it.”

Volleyball Hall of Fame Executive Director George Mulry said he has known Demers for more than 10 years and is pleased to see the award going to a local honoree and someone who has given so much.

“Her experience in so many areas makes her perfect for this award,” said Mulry, who coaches volleyball at Longmeadow High School.

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Sheriff’s Shuffle Road Race to be held Sunday, Nov. 4

SPRINGFIELD - The 13th Sheriff’s Shuffle Road Race will be held on Sunday, Nov. 4, starting and finishing in front of the Western Massachusetts Correctional Alcohol Center, 26 Howard St., in the South End of Springfield.

The Sheriff’s Shuffle had been a tradition for 12 consecutive years, but was stopped short of its 13th consecutive year last year, due to the amount of destruction caused by the tornado on June 1, 2011.

In previous years, all monies raised benefited organiza-

tions such as the Holyoke Boys & Girls Club, Springfield Boys & Girls Club, Griffin’s Friends and the South End Community Center.

This year, all proceeds will go directly to the South End Community Center (SECC) as it rebuilds in its new location in the South End.

Anyone seeking information about registration or considering making a donation is asked to call Anthony Scibelli at 413-734-1050, ext. 3105.

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Obituaries & Church News

ANGELO J. BORGATTI

Angelo “Angie” Borgatti, 98, of Feeding Hills, passed away Friday, Oct. 5, 2012 at the Soldiers Home in Holyoke. Angelo was born Nov. 11, 1913 in Agawam to the late Federico and Maria (Pedretti) Borgatti. Angelo attended Agawam schools and worked for many years as a machinist at Powers Paper Company and Pratt and Austin Paper Company, retiring in 1975.

Angelo proudly served his country during World War II in the U.S. Army. He was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills. He was an avid fisherman and hunter and belonged to many local clubs including the Disabled American Veterans. Angelo worked with special needs children and adults at fishing derbies and Shriners Hospital. He will be remembered as a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend. He will be greatly missed for his kindness, generosity, sense of humor and his ability to recite poetry and tell jokes up to his passing. Angelo was predeceased in 2002 by his loving wife of 65 years, Margaret (Izzo) Borgatti; and his daughter, Barbara Sosnowich, in 2010. He is survived by his two daughters, Jeanne Buoniconti and her husband, Frank of Feeding Hills and Marie Peirce of Lansdale, Penn.; his son-in-law, William Sosnowich; 6 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; and his special friend, Barbara Charest. Services were held Colonial Forastiere Funeral Home, Agawam followed by a Liturgy of Christian Burial in Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills. Burial was in Springfield Street Cemetery, Feeding Hills. Memorial contributions may be made to Baystate VNA and Hospice, 280 Chestnut St., 6th Floor, Springfield, MA 01199.



ELEANOR F. CASE

Eleanor F. (Hennrikus) Case, 90, of Agawam, entered into eternal rest Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2012 in Mercy Medical Center. Born in New Haven, Conn., daughter of the late John and Frances (Sheridan) Hennrikus, she lived here since 1947. Eleanor was a 1940 graduate of Commerce High School in Springfield and a 1944 graduate of the former Westfield State Teacher’s College with a bachelor’s degree in education. She taught in East Longmeadow, Springfield, at Danahy School in Agawam and retired from Phelps School in Agawam in 1986. She was a member of the Massachusetts Teacher’s Association, the Catholic Women’s Club and loved spending time at their summer home in North Falmouth. She was also a communicant of St. John the Evangelist Church. She leaves her husband of 66 years, Manning S. Case, Sr.; two sons and their wives, Thomas M. and Nancy Case of Port Charlotte, Fla., Stewart, Jr. and Michelle Case of Agawam; two daughters and their husbands, Margaret C. and John Reardon of Westfield, Ellen F. and Butch LaMagdelaine of Charlotte, N.C.; five grandchildren, Megan Connor, James Tierney, Thomas Case, Joseph Case, Shawn LaMagdelaine; and three great-grandchildren, Julie Case, Amber Case and Grace Connor. A funeral Mass was held at St. John the Evangelist Church followed by burial in the Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemetery. Agawam Funeral Home had care of arrangements. Donations may be made to St. Mary’s High School, 27 Bartlett St., Westfield, MA 01085.

GAETANO L. MERCADANTE

Gaetano L. Mercadante, 88, of Feeding Hills, entered into eternal rest Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2012. Born in Agawam, son of the late Anthony and Carmella (Christopher) Mercadante, he was a lifelong resident and a self-employed painter. He also enjoyed

bowling. He leaves a brother and his wife, John A. and Mary Mercadante of Feeding Hills; two sisters and their husbands, Esther L. and Carlo Lovotti of West Springfield, and Geraldine J. and Donald Roberts of Agawam; and nieces and nephews. The funeral was the Agawam Funeral Home, followed by burial in Springfield Street Cemetery. Donations may be made to the charity of one’s choice.

JOHANNA E. PALEOLOGOPOULOS

Johanna (Jo) Elizabeth (Curtin) Paleologopoulos, 78, of Agawam, died Saturday, Oct. 20, 2012 surrounded by her loving family. Johanna was born Sept. 13, 1934 in Northampton, the daughter of the late John Curtin and Mary (Foley). Johanna graduated from St. Michael’s High School. She retired from the Diocese of Springfield where she worked in the Marriage Counseling office. Johanna leaves behind to cherish her memory her husband of 57 years, (married Jan. 22, 1955), Paul V. Paleologopoulos. She also leaves five sons, Andrew and his wife Elizabeth of Longmeadow, Matthew of Agawam, Mark and his wife Debra of Feeding Hills, Christopher and his wife Mary of South Hadley, Thomas and his wife Maryann of Agawam, as well as Peter Crolle of Agawam. She leaves behind three daughters, Diane Paleologopoulos of Agawam, Eileen Chapman and her husband Timothy of Westfield, and Ellen Paleologopoulos of Agawam. Johanna also leaves her 14 cherished grandchildren, Hailey, Benjamin and Mark Chapman, James, Cameron, Katherine, Alexander, Peter, Caroline, Matthew, Michael, Ian, Colin and Samuel Paleologop-



oulos; as well as a brother, Michael Curtin and his wife Bonnie of Hadley; a sister-in-law, Sheila Curtin of Easthampton; a brother-in-law, Gelio Bompastore of Greenfield; a beloved family friend, Dolores Gagnon of Greenfield, and her many dear nieces and nephews. Jo was predeceased by her brothers, Thomas, James, and John Curtin; as well as her sister, Mary Bompastore. She was a parishioner of St. John the Evangelist Church in Agawam, where she served as lector and Confraternity of Christian Doctrine teacher. She was a member of the Cursillo movement in the Diocese of Springfield and served as rector. She was a Girl Scout leader and served as the South Elementary PTA president. She and her husband were drivers for Rachel’s Table for several years. Funeral services were at Colonial Forastiere Funeral Home, Agawam with a liturgy of Christian burial at St. John the Evangelist Church, Agawam. Burial was at the Massachusetts Veterans’ Cemetery. Memorial Contributions may be made to the Jericho, P.O. Box 1039, Holyoke, MA 01041-1039 or to St. John the Evangelist Church at 833 Main St., Agawam, MA 01001.

HAZEL M. RACICOT

Hazel M. (Bergeron) Racicot, 97, of Agawam, died Thursday, Oct. 22, 2012 in Heritage Hall. She was born in Whately, was a longtime resident of Longmeadow and lived in Feeding Hills since 1979. She loved knitting and reading. Hazel was retired from Gemini Corporation in Springfield. She was predeceased by her husband, Leo Racicot. She leaves several nieces and nephews, including Susan LaRoche, of Southwick. Hazel’s family would like to thank the staff at Heritage Hall North, D Wing for all the compassion and care shown to Hazel over the years. The funeral and burial in Hillcrest Park Cemetery were private. Memorial donations may be made to the Agawam Ambulance Fund, 1200 Springfield St., Feeding Hills, MA 01030.

Free medical clinic at Bethany

A New Covenant Free Clinic is being co-sponsored by New Covenant Community Services and Bethany Assembly of God on Tuesday, Nov. 6, from 6-8 p.m. The clinic will provide non-emergent care for people age 18 and over. The free clinic is intended to help individuals that may be facing difficult financial times receive the care they so desperately need. Residents of Massachusetts and Connecticut that find themselves in need of medical care but who cannot afford a visit to the doctor are invited to attend. The staff of licensed medical care work-

ers volunteer their time and skills, and no revenue will be collected for the services provided. The entire team is committed to providing quality care on all levels. A visit to the clinic will include a demographic check-in, medical assessment, and spiritual encouragement. The free clinic operates once a month at Bethany Assembly of God, 580 Main St., Agawam. All medical records will be kept in strict confidence. For more information, call the clinic at (413) 363-0098 and leave a message. Your call will be returned.

Public invited to holiday bazaar

The public is invited to the Annual Holiday Bazaar at Hope Community Church, 152 South Westfield St. in Feeding Hills Saturday, Nov. 10 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The bazaar will feature decorative items for both Thanksgiving and Christmas, including seasonal arrangements, tree ornaments, and wreaths. Start your Christmas shopping early with a selection of gift items. Gift bag or box, tissue paper, bow and gift card all included free. The event will also include lunch with

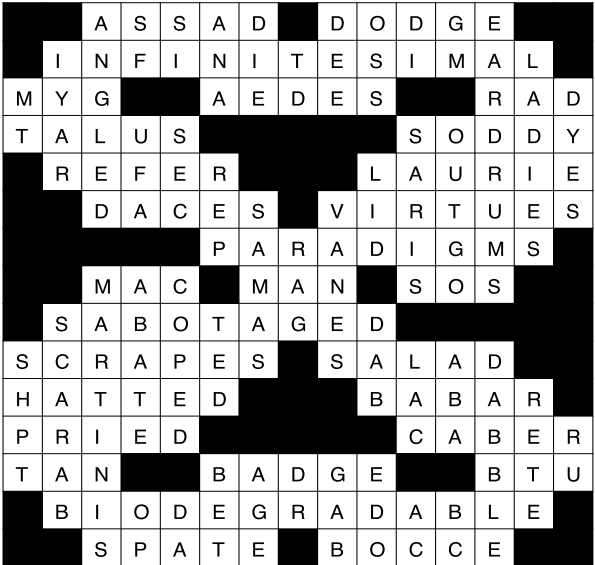
homemade soups, macaroni and cheese and home-baked goodies from the bake sale. Hot dogs, chips, and a variety of beverages will also be available. Children can make free holiday crafts at the make-it and take-it table. Tag sale tables will include gently used Christmas items and lots more. All proceeds benefit the Springfield Pregnancy Care Center. For more information, call (413) 786-2445.

Upcoming events at Sacred Heart Church

Unfortunately, when many of us face critical “end of life” issues, we are in the midst of a highly emotional and many times devastating situation which can make it hard to be certain as to the correct and proper action to undertake. Sacred Heart Church, located at 1065 Springfield St. in Feeding Hills, will offer an informational evening covering the topics of “end of life” decisions as well as the November ballot question number 2. The session will be held Tuesday, Oct. 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the parish center. Guest speakers will include James Brunault, representing the Pioneer Valley Massachusetts Citizens for Life, and JoAnne Krause, a critical care nurse at Mercy Medical Center. The public is invited to attend with questions and concerns.

In preparation for the elections to be held this November, the Spiritual Life Committee of Sacred Heart and the Agawam Knights of Columbus will host a patriotic rosary to be prayed at Sacred Heart Church on Friday, Oct. 26 at 6 p.m. A patriotic rosary is a rosary that is prayed specifically for our nation’s capital, the president, the House of Representatives, Congress, and all the leaders of our nation. In addition, each of the 50 Hail Mary’s are prayed for each state by name. A patriotic song will be played after each decade. In praying the patriotic rosary we invoke God’s grace, protection, and blessings upon each state and all the people who dwell within it. For more information, call Jean at (413) 786-8200 ext. 16. The public is welcome.

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Public Safety

FIRE LOG

The Agawam Fire Department responded to 55 EMS calls for the week of Oct. 16 to Oct. 22.

On Oct. 16 at 6:27 a.m., the department responded to Cooper Street for system malfunction.

On Oct. 16 at 3:02 p.m., the department responded to Sterling Road for alarm system sounding due to malfunction.

On Oct. 16 at 8:26 p.m., the department responded to Springfield Street for public service assistance.

On Oct. 17 at 10:53 a.m., the department was dispatched to Suffield Street but was canceled en route.

On Oct. 17 at 12:12 p.m., the department was dispatched to Cooper Street but was canceled en route.

On Oct. 18 at 4:22 p.m., the department responded to Meadowbrook Manor for a cooking fire, confined to container.

On Oct. 18 at 8:40 p.m., the department responded to Southwick Street for carbon monoxide detector activation due to malfunction.

On Oct. 18 at 9:31 p.m., the department responded to Meadowbrook Manor for a lock-out.

On Oct. 19 at 8:31 p.m., the department responded to Memorial Park for public service.

On Oct. 20 at 4:54 a.m., the department responded to Mansion Woods Drive for alarm system sounding due to malfunction.

On Oct. 20 at 2:22 p.m., the department responded to River Road to search for person in water.

On Oct. 21 at 4:28 p.m., the department responded to North Street for alarm system activation, no fire – unintentional.

On Oct. 21 at 6:23 p.m., the department responded to Main Street for a lockout.

On Oct. 21 at 6:56 p.m., the department responded to James Avenue for smoke scare, odor of smoke.

On Oct. 22 at 11:59 a.m., the department responded to Tobacco Farm Road to assist police or other governmental agency.

On Oct. 22 at 7:26 p.m., the department responded to Springfield Street for a gas leak (natural gas or LPG).

POLICE LOG

The Agawam Police Department responded to 283 calls from Oct. 16 to Oct. 22. The department made seven arrests. Those arrested will appear at a future date in Westfield District Court and are innocent until proven guilty.

Tuesday, Oct. 16

Mark A. St. John, 45, of 52 River St., Agawam, was arrested on charges of operating motor vehicle with license suspended and unregistered motor vehicle.

Pablo J. Perez, 28, of 491 Bridge Road, Apt. 632, Florence, was arrested on an arrest warrant and a charge of operating a motor vehicle with license suspended.

Wednesday, Oct. 17

Michael Giannini, 60, of 28 Corey Colonial, Agawam, was arrested on a

charge of domestic assault and battery.

Thursday, Oct. 18

Dominic Riggio, 40, of 50 Kanawha Ave., Agawam, was arrested on charges of uttering false check (two counts) and larceny over \$250.

Saturday, Oct. 20

Mohamed M. Hassan, 24, of 2076 19th St., Apt. 2C, Astoria, N.Y., was arrested on a charge of trespassing.

Eleanor Louise Lamore, 45, of 20 Burleigh Road, Hampden, was arrested on a charge of possession of Class B drug.

Monday, Oct. 22

Megan Sikand, 24, of 140 Regency Park Drive, Agawam, was arrested on two arrest warrants.

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Business

Curves of Feeding Hills waives joining fee in October

Throughout Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October, Curves fitness centers in the U.S. will focus on raising awareness about the life-saving importance of risk management, early detection and early treatment of breast cancer. Because women can help reduce their risk for breast cancer by staying in good health, Curves clubs nationwide, including Curves of Feeding Hills, are offer-

ing \$0-joining-fee memberships from Oct. 22-27 to new members who show proof of a mammogram performed within the last year or who donate \$30 to The American Cancer Society (ACS).

In 2011, Curves clubs nationwide raised more than \$1.7 million for the ACS. On Thursday, Oct. 25, Curves in Feeding Hills will hold a “Girls Night In” silent auction

and information evening featuring Dr. Sharon MacMillan, MD, FAOCG. The public is invited to this evening of information and awareness.

The annual Breast Cancer Awareness Campaign is an important part of the Curves mission to strengthen women, according to the staff of Curves of Feeding Hills. It offers a supportive, fun, non-competitive environ-

ment that encourages women to take time out from their role as caregivers to take care of themselves.

For more information about activities in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month and to learn how to exercise good breast health, contact Curves of Feeding Hills at (413) 786-0909 or 972GWML@curvesmail.com or visit www.curves.com.

Legal Notices

AGAWAM ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT October 10, 2012

Notice is hereby given that the Agawam Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at the Agawam Public Library Conference Room, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA on **Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at 6:30PM** for all parties interested in the appeal of Six Flags New England, which

is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-49, Paragraph A of the Town of Agawam's Zoning Ordinances, which would allow for a new amusement ride at the premises identified as 1623 Main Street.

Doreen Prouty Chairperson
Agawam Board of Appeals
10/25,11/1/12

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court**

Hampden Division 50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-8600 Docket No. HD12P1866EA Estate of:

**Pasquale Joseph Liquori
Also Known As:
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Date of Death:
April 8, 2012
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Susan Gensheimer** of Agawam MA a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Susan Gensheimer of Agawam Ma has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required

to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
10/25/12

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
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Docket No. HD12P1946EA
Estate of:
Kathleen Gertrude Quinn**

Date of Death: 05/18/2012 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition has been filed by: **Carol M. Hawkes** of Feeding Hills MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order of testacy and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

And also requesting that: **Carol M. Hawkes** of Feeding Hills MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on 11/16/2012.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objec-

tion if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

The estate is being administered under formal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but recipients are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. **Anne M Geoffrion**, First Justice of this Court.

Date: October 19, 2012

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10/25/12



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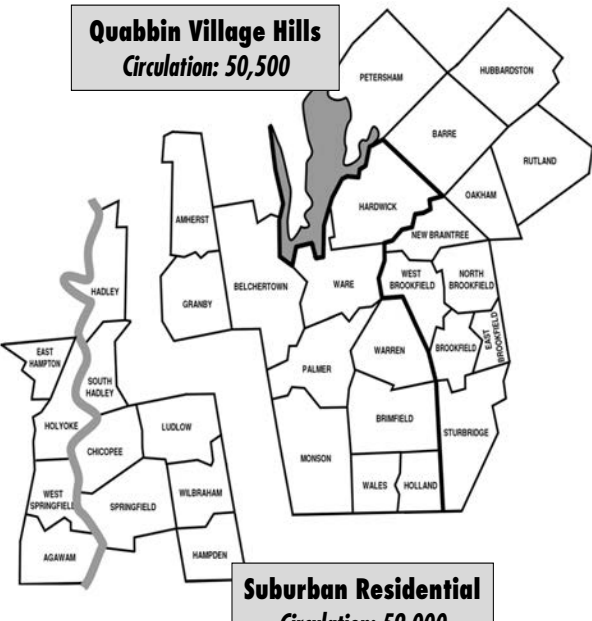
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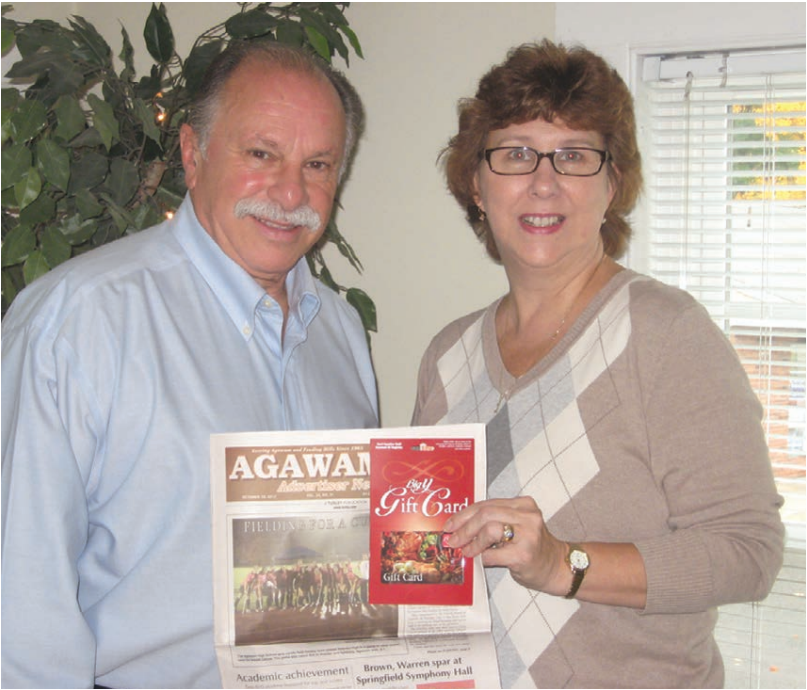
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Arts

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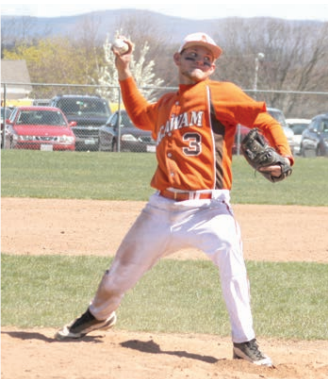


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Chamber to host annual ‘Food Fest West’

The West of the River Chamber of Commerce will host its 6th annual Food Fest West event, which looks to highlight Pioneer Valley restaurants through a showcase of their culinary skills and techniques. The event will take place Thursday, Nov. 1 at Crestview Country Club in Agawam. This is a great opportunity to culturally enrich the community and bring members and non-members of the chamber together for a social food event. Participating restaurants include, Lattitudes, Tokyo Cuisine, Murphy’s Pub, among others.

Tickets are \$25 if purchased in advance and \$30 at the door. Proceeds will go to the West of the River Chamber’s Educational Fund and the Business Education Grant Program.

This year’s presenting sponsor is Western Mass Electric, and other sponsorship opportunities are still available. Companies interested in being a sponsor should contact the West of the River Chamber office number listed below.

There are still last minute openings for restaurants interested in participating in the event. This is a great opportunity for local restaurants to exhibit their culinary talent and showcase their cuisine. The only cost of participating is your time and food offerings.

For more information about sponsorships, restaurant reservations and ticket sales, contact the West of the River Chamber office at (413) 426-3880.

Blood drives scheduled for November

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The American Red Cross will hold several community blood drives in November at the following locations.

Sunday, Nov. 4, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Active Lifestyle Fitness, 168 Elm St., Agawam; Wednesday, Nov. 14, 1 to 6 p.m.,

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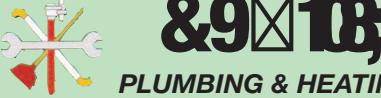
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